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Major Harry H. Walker, of New London, Third regiment, Connecticut State Guard, has been detailed to inspect Company B, in the borough next Friday evening, at the armory in Iveson block. The members are preparing for the event and are to gain for the company a high degree of honor.

Stonington Pointers.
Miss Mary Hill, formerly visiting nurse here, is taking a post graduate course in a Philadelphia hospital. Mrs. John B. Findlay and daughter, who have been for some time guests at Bella Vista, the home of Mrs. Findlay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Bradlee, have gone to Georgia where her husband is in the army motor corps.

The Stonington High school football team is ready and waiting for the contest with the Western High school team on Friday afternoon.

BRIEF STATE NEWS
Norwalk.—Charged with robbing a patient while preparing him for an operation at the Norwalk hospital on Oct. 21, Pearl Cummings, until recently an orderly at the hospital, was arrested in Springfield, Mass., and is being held. Extradition papers are being prepared.

Clinton.—The village people were shocked Thursday morning on hearing of the sudden death of Mrs. Sarah Stevens, 74, wife of Edwin Stevens. Her death was the result of falling down stairs. Mrs. Stevens leaves her husband and a brother, S. Leander Stevens.

Plainville.—Tonight (Wednesday) at 8 o'clock the new organ in the Episcopal Church of Our Saviour will be dedicated to the memory of Rev. Dr. Edward Livingston Wells, founder and first rector of the parish. An organ recital will be given from 7:30 to 8. The sermon will be preached by a son of Dr. Wells, Rev. E. Livingston Wells, of Hartford.

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DISTRICT OF CANTERBURY, SS.
Probate Court, Nov. 18th, 1918.
Estate of Frank V. Lyon, late of Canterbury, in said District, deceased. The Executor, Elmer E. Richmond, having exhibited his final administration account with said estate to this Court for allowance, it is Ordered, That the 30th day of November, A. D. 1918, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Probate Office in Canterbury, be, and the same is, assigned for a hearing of said account, and of said administration account, and this Court directs the Executor to cite all persons interested therein to appear at said time and place by publishing this order in some newspaper having a circulation in said District, and by posting a copy on the public signpost in the Town of Canterbury, nearest to where the deceased last dwelt, at least seven days before said time assigned. It is therefore further ordered that a hearing be given by a hearing be held on the appointment of a Trustee of certain trust funds of said estate.
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DEMPSEY HIDES BEHIND "COLOR" LINE

In one of the most dramatic scenes enacted in the history of the prize ring in this city, Jack Dempsey, conqueror of Fred Fulton and generally considered the foremost heavyweight in the world, with the exception of Jess Willard, took refuge behind the "color" line in Madison Square Garden Saturday night, when Joe Jeannette, the veteran negro heavyweight of West Hoboken, challenged him to fight before upward of 8,000 persons who filled the historic amphitheatre.

Never in the annals of boxing in New York has a scene like that which took place last night been witnessed. Dempsey, who today stands at the fistic pinnacle as a result of victories over all of the white heavyweights, had come to New York from Long Branch, where he has been training at the request of the boxing committee of the United War Work campaign, for the benefit of which the big tournament was held.

Dempsey had been matched to meet Joe Bonds, a third rate pugilist with a lot of nerve, who is attached to the U. S. S. Granite State. For weeks Jeannette has sought a match with the Utah wonder, but for some reason best known to himself and his manager, Jack Kearns, Dempsey has persistently refused to meet a negro, despite the fact that he fought John Lester Johnson a ten round bout in this city a couple of years ago and has fought negroes at other times in his career.

Jeannette's Challenge.
When he agreed to box at the Garden show Dempsey stipulated that he be matched with a white boxer and at that time refused to meet Jeannette or any other negro. With this understanding the committee asked him to come to New York. Several

white heavyweights were sought as opponents for the Utah boxer, but all save Bonds have cold feet. Bonds was on hand early Saturday night prepared to do his best in a bout with Dempsey. Jeannette, too, was present and so was Kid Norfolk, another negro heavyweight, with whom Jeannette had been matched to box.

The show up to this juncture had gone smoothly. A number of excellent matches had taken place and the entertainment was voted the best of its kind ever held in this city. Then things began to happen.

Dempsey, clad in the striped jersey and other boxing togetherness entered the ring at the conclusion of the match between Willie Jackson and Eddie Wallace, which was one of the best of the evening. The Western wonder was followed by Jimmy De Forrest, his second, and Jack Kearns, manager. Dempsey acknowledged a warm greeting from friends about the ring and from the gallery. Then he glanced across the ring to his opponent's corner.

Instead of the clean limbed Bonds, he saw his black smiling Joe Jeannette, his fists encased in six ounce gloves and in fighting togs. Jack appeared not the least bit disturbed, but Kearns immediately got into the ring and made it known that, under no circumstances, would he permit his man to box the husky negro.

Dempsey Refuses to Box.
Kearns explained to members of the committee that he had agreed to let Dempsey box Bonds, and unless Bonds was willing to fight the match would be declared off. Meaning Jeannette, with arms folded, struck a pose in the middle of the ring and dared

Dempsey to come out of his corner. There was confusion at the ring, side. Managers interested in Jeannette insisted that the negro remain in the ring and force Dempsey to vacate. Charley Harvey sent a messenger in search of Bonds. Dempsey's men were appealed to. Meaningtime Dempsey held his seat while others argued with Kearns. Some besought him to let Dempsey box Jeannette, while others counselled to stand firm in refusal. More than twenty minutes' delay Kearns chose the latter course. After Dempsey withdrew from the ring amid a storm of jeers and hisses.

After that Bonds could not be found and Dempsey declined to have anything more to do with the show. He put on his clothes and with his petname made a hasty exit from the building. What had started out to be one of the greatest fistic carnivals ever staged in this city had been marred by one of the worst examples of sportsmanship or lack of it ever witnessed in the annals of local boxing.

There is no alibi for anybody involved in the disgraceful episode. In the first place, Dempsey should have accepted the negro's challenge, if he had an ounce of sporting blood in his makeup. To be sure he had everything to lose and nothing to gain but last night was no occasion publicly to seek refuge behind the color line. There is no excuse whatever for Dempsey.

That Group of Managers.
On the other hand, the group of managers—the very clique that was responsible for the death of boxing under the Preamble law, according to Governor Whitman—probably sealed the fate of boxing in this state for some time to come. Prior to last night there was a strong probability that, with the change of the state administration, boxing would be re-established as a local sport, but after last night's disgraceful occurrence it is doubtful whether Governor-elect Al Smith, or any other public official, would lend his support to boxing. Last night, of all times, petty feuds and differences among managers should have been forgotten.

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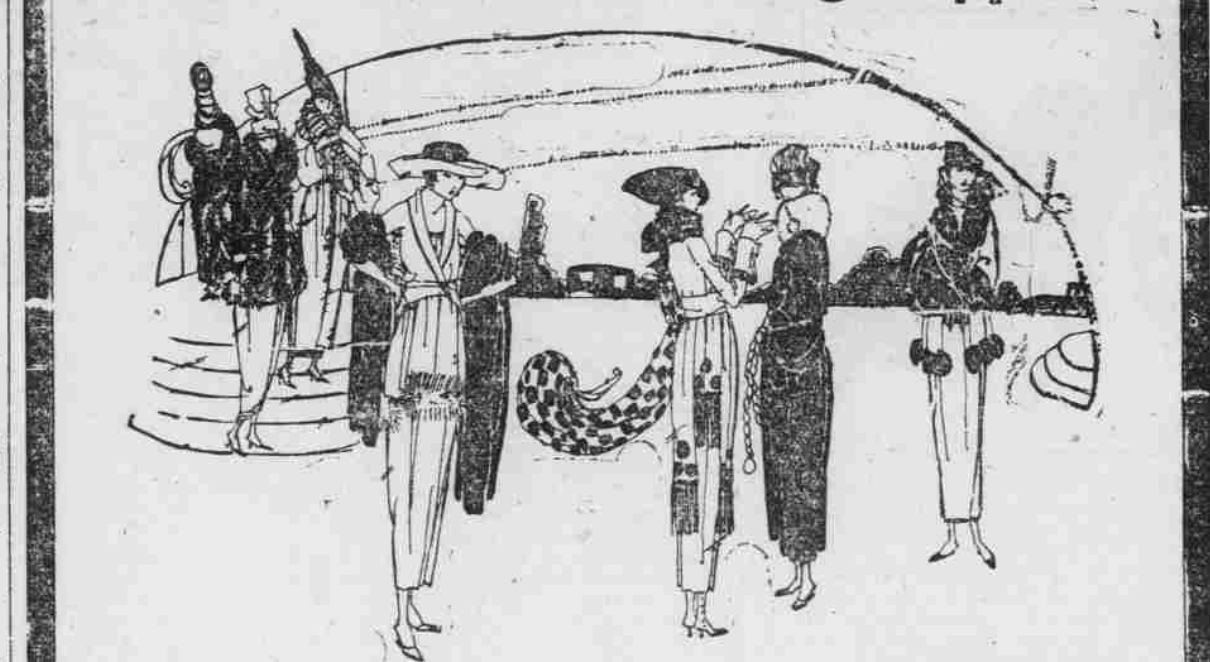
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SPORTING NOTES.
A great Irish cock fighting tournament in which prize birds from the counties of Londonderry, Tyrone and recent date in a remote mountainous district of Donegal. There was a considerable attendance of the sporting fraternity, quite a number arriving in motor cars. Eight mains were fought, "home county" being declared the winners. The proceedings ended in a free fight (says the "People") a well known magistrate who, having lost heavily, refusing, it is alleged, to pay his debts, being severely

handled.
The Camp Devens football team has the makings of a fine football eleven, as was indicated by the game put up against Boston college last Saturday. The material is there. In Boston college it run up against the best eleven in this section at the present time.

Some twelve months ago it was announced that Punch Wilson, an English boxer, had been wounded and suffered amputation of both arms, and now this unfortunate boxer has met his death by accident. He slipped on the stairs of his home, and being unable to save himself, was hurt so severely in his fall that he died in Middlesex hospital. Joining the R. F. A. in 1915, Punch Wilson fought 21 fights for nearly three years, and just before he was wounded won the heavy and middleweight competitions open to his division.

Pete Herman, bantamweight champion, who was scheduled to box Jack Sharkey in New Orleans in a United War Work campaign bout, will be unable to go through with the bout, according to a telegram received yesterday from Dominick Tortorich, New Orleans promoter. Promoter Tortorich stated that Herman had been summoned for active naval duty and was on his way to foreign waters.

Plans for the Reading, Devens football game to be held in the Harvard stadium Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the United War Work campaign have been completed, and all is now in readiness for the struggle.

Jack Daubert is said to be preparing a civil suit for \$2150 representing salary from Sept. 1 to Oct. 14, to which he would have been entitled from the Brooklyn club if Secretary of

War Baker's work or fight ultimatum had not caused a suspension of the major leagues on Labor day.

Four hundred and sixty dollars was realized for the United War Work fund at the Bay State Automobile association golf tournament held at the Commonwealth Golf club in Boston, Friday. The field of starters numbered 122.

Football, not soccer, put the man-to-man inter-collegiate type has been started in Porto Rico and the soldiers are taking to it like ducks to water. Despite heat and sandy playing field that elsewhere would be considered too heavy for fast team work.

The First Battalion of the 34th regiment started the football craze late in September by challenging the rest of the regiment. Neither side scored but two broken noses were reported among the casualties. This was the first blood drawn by the warriors and it added zest to the life of the camp that the 37rd regiment has taken up the game.

With 53 stars in its service flag the Southern Association has made a bid for honors among the minor baseball leagues. Last season there were only 120 players on the rosters of the eight Southern Association clubs and almost half that number are now in military service. In addition several have enrolled for welfare work or service in other non-combatant branches of the nation's forces overseas. According to latest available figures Chattanooga tops the list of clubs with 11 of its 15 players either in the army or navy. Mobile has nine stars in its flag; Memphis eight; Birmingham seven; Little Rock six; and Nashville, New Orleans and Atlanta four each.

A girl hasn't much use for a man who is too cowardly to propose.